

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1  
Introduced by Representative  
Cleo Duncan

Adopted by voice vote on November 21, 2000, during the First Regular Session of the 112<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring W. August (Gus) Hillenbrand upon his retirement as Chief Executive Officer from Hillenbrand Industries.

WHEREAS, Gus Hillenbrand received his B.S. in Business Administration from St. Joseph College and graduated from the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University;

WHEREAS, Gus began his career with Hill-Rom Company, a subsidiary of Hillenbrand Industries, in 1960 and served in a variety of positions including the mailroom and on the factory floor;

WHEREAS, In 1966 Gus worked his way up the ladder within Hill-Rom by serving as Assistant to the President and later as Vice-President of Operations;

WHEREAS, Gus served as President of Hill-Rom Company from 1972 -1979;

WHEREAS, Gus continued to challenge himself as a business leader and was named Executive Vice President in 1979 of Hillenbrand Industries, Inc.;

WHEREAS, In 1981 Gus was honored to be chosen as President and Chief Operating Officer of Hillenbrand Industries, Inc.;

WHEREAS, Gus faithfully served in the position of President and Chief Executive Officer for 10 years;

WHEREAS, During Gus’s tenure at Hillenbrand Industries, the company became a leading force in the health care and funeral services industries;

WHEREAS, Hillenbrand Industries continues to be one of the state’s most successful companies and faithful employers of our citizens;

WHEREAS, Gus devoted his time to such worthwhile organizations and positions as a member of the Board of Directors of Dayton Power & Light Company, Board Member for the Batesville Girl Scouts, and the World President’s Organization;

WHEREAS, Gus strongly believes in giving his time to our institutions of higher education where he has served as a Past Advisory Council Member for the Krannert School of Business at Purdue University, as a Past Board Member for Denison University and Past Trustee for St. Joseph College and St. Mary-of-the-Woods College;

WHEREAS, Gus is the husband of Nancy and the proud father of five children and grandfather of nine;

WHEREAS, The Town of Batesville, the communities of southeastern Indiana and the State of Indiana wish to thank Gus for his leadership and dedication to Hillenbrand Industries:

THEREFORE, *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to congratulate W. August “Gus” Hillenbrand upon his retirement.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Gus Hillenbrand and his family.

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Cleo Duncan  
State Representative

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John R. Gregg  
Speaker of the House

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Lee Ann Smith  
Principal Clerk